

**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY**  
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*Congratulating and Honoring*  
*Court of Appeals Judge Eugene M. Fahey*  
*On his extraordinary work as New York State Court of Appeals Justice*

**WHEREAS**, *Judge Eugene Fahey* was born in Buffalo, New York on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1951; and

**WHEREAS**, Fahey earned a bachelor's degree in political science in 1974, a law degree in 1984 and a master's degree in European history in 1998, all from the University at Buffalo; and

**WHEREAS**, Fahey proudly served on the Buffalo Common Council from 1978 to 1983 and again from 1988 to 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, Fahey was elected to the Buffalo City Court in 1994 and served until 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, Fahey was elected to the State Supreme Court in 1996, where he also presided over cases in Erie County and the 8th Judicial District; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure as a State Supreme Court Justice, Judge Fahey was assigned to handle a civil calendar as well as criminal Special Term and presided over a variety of cases in Erie County as well as the outlying counties in the Eighth Judicial District; and

**WHEREAS**, Fahey received the highest rating for the post from seven bar and legal associations, including the New York State Bar Association and the New York State Trial Lawyers Association; and

**WHEREAS**, after 10 years of service on the State Supreme Court, Judge Fahey was appointed to the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court, Fourth Judicial Department, where he served from December 22, 2006, until 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Justice Fahey's distinguished career, background and years of service on the bench made him a formidable member of the Court of Appeals; and

**WHEREAS**, Judge Fahey will officially retire on December 31, 2021 and has plans to help the next generation of lawyers by entering the law school classroom as faculty; and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Body desires to acknowledge and recognize individuals such as **Judge Eugene Fahey** who enhance, represent, and change our community by way of action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, it is with great honor that this this Legislative Body hereby applauds and recognizes **Judge Eugene Fahey** for his exceptional accomplishments through his career in law along with his superior spirit in leading and serving the City of Buffalo, Erie County and New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature congratulates **Judge Eugene Fahey** on a phenomenal career and commends him on his dedication to our state as well as former colleagues and the countless number of families Eugene has touched.

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*Erie County Legislator, 2<sup>nd</sup> District*

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*Majority Leader*  
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*Clerk of the Legislature*